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" (b) The attenders had been appointed by the Collector of Malabar in anticipation of sanction and their pay could not be drawn and disbursed pending sanction of their employment. Hence the delay. The Collector has reported that the pay of all the attenders except two whose addresses are not known, have been drawn and disbursed and that steps are taken to disburse the pay of the remaining two persons also."

Grant of loan to the new Co-operative Milk Supply Society, Madras.

* 107 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the amount of loan granted to the New Co-operative Milk Supply Society, Madras, in the year 1952;

(b) whether any staff member of the society was prosecuted and convicted for adulteration of milk;

(c) the number of milk centres managed by the Society; and

(d) the approximate quantity of milk supplied by the Society?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) It is not clear to which Society the questions refer.

" (b) to (d) Do not arise."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" May I know the names and the number of societies existing in the Madras State? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" Let the hon. Member give notice of a separate question."

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" Is there any Co-operative Milk Supply Society in Madras to which a loan has been granted and any of whose office-bearers has been prosecuted? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Madras Milk Supply Union was granted a loan of Rs. 3,49,040 in 1952. No member of the staff of that Union was prosecuted."

Retrenchment of workers of the Highways Department in Cannanore Section, Malabar.

* 108 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) how many workers working in the Highways Department in Cannanore section, Malabar, were retrenched on 2nd February 1954;

(b) the reasons therefor;

(c) how many of them were taken back afterwards;

(d) whether the workers were given any notice before retrenchment; and

(e) if so, when?